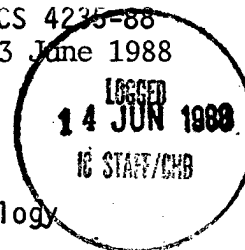


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ICS 4235-88  
13 June 1988

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Office of Information Technology

FROM:

Acting Director, Intelligence Community Staff

SUBJECT: Request for Communications Support for NFIB ADS Upgrade  
Under OIT Project Number 88-1991

1. Since 1982, OIT and its predecessor organizations have provided outstanding technical assistance and maintenance support for the operation of the NFIB ADS. NFIB ADS is an information handling system dedicated to the timely coordination of NFIB actions including development and approval of National Intelligence Estimates (NIEs) and announcements, proposed agenda, and minutes of NFIB meetings. It is based on 12 year old WANG equipment that is no longer manufactured. Maintenance of the system is increasingly dependent upon the scavenging of parts from existing Agency equipment. It is estimated that the existing equipment will be completely obsolete by early 1990. Planning for the replacement of the NFIB ADS is being supported under OIT project number 88-1991.

2. Attached is a statement of functional and performance requirements for the replacement system. It has been determined that equipment currently offered by WANG will meet them, while facilitating the transition from the old system to the new, a significant consideration. Funding to implement this initiative in FY 1988 is available to ICS.

3. Interstation communications of the current ADS are supported by STU II equipment scheduled to be replaced by STU IIIs. Both systems, however, require that the NFIB Secretariat telecommunicate with the other 13 current stations bilaterally, creating substantial inefficiency and unnecessary manhour costs. In conjunction with ADS replacement, it is required that the system's communications be reconfigured to permit the NFIB Secretariat to distribute documents to all stations simultaneously.

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4. It is requested that OIT provide the following support to the ADS replacement programs:

- a. Evaluate proposed WANG equipment suite in the context of functional and performance requirements provided;
- b. Develop and implement an appropriate communications plan.
- c. Oversee procurement and installation of indicated processing and communications equipment suite.
- d. Establish required training and maintenance programs.

5. The ICS point-of-contact for this program is

It is requested that OIT's implementation plan for the above be submitted for consideration no later than 1 August 1988, and that implementation be completed no later than 1 June 1989.

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